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US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

International Application No.
PCT/JP2004/004451

ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
2006_0448A

U.S. APICATION NO 778
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Priority Date Claimed
September 30, 2003

Title of Invention

SIMILARITY CALCULATION DEVICE AND SIMILARITY CALCULATION PROGRAM

Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US Hiroaki MASUYAMA et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 2. [] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 3. [X] This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. [] A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
 - a. [X] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). ATTACHMENT A
 - b. [] has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- 6. [X] A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)). ATTACHMENT B
- 7. [] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
 - a. [] are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. [] have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. [] have not been made and will not be made.
- 8. [] A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19.
- 9. [X] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)) along with Submission of English/Japanese Declaration and Power of Attorney. ATTACHMENT C
- 10. [] A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. ATTACHMENT D
- 12. [X] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

ATTACHMENT E

- 13. [] A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 - [] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- 14. [] Other items or information:

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15. [X] The following fees are submitted			CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY	
Basic National Stage Fee \$300.00 National Stage Search Fee \$400.00 National Stage Examination Fee \$200.00 Specification/drawings in excess of 100 pages Q units of 50 x \$250.00) = \$500.00					
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =				\$1400.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	- 17 - 1715 - 2 · 175	
Total Claims	33 -20 =	13	X \$50.00	\$ 650.00	
Independent Claims	27 - 3 =	24	X \$200.00	\$4800.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) + \$360.00				\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$6850.00	
[X] Small Entity Status is hereby asserted. Above fees are reduced by 1/2.				\$3425.00	
SUBTOTAL =				\$3425.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$3425.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property +				\$ 40.00	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$3465.00	
				Amount to be refunded	s
				Amount to be charged	s
a. [X] A check in the amount of \$ 3465	5.00 to cover the above fees	is enclosed. A duplicate copy of this for	orm is enclosed.		
b. [] Please charge my Deposit Accour A duplicate copy of this sheet is a		nt of \$ to cover the above f	ees.		•
c. [X] The Commissioner is hereby au		onal fees which may be required, or cre	edit any		

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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THE COMMISSION F IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE NCY IN THE FEES FOR CASE ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

SUBMISSION OF ENGLISH/JAPANESE **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney includes both Japanese language text and English language text. The English language text constitutes an accurate translation of the Japanese language text.

Respectfully submitted,

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